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TO: Ms. Sonya Calliham

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FROM: J. M. Hunter, Jr.

SUBJECT: U.S. Serial No. 09/737,327

Dear Ms. Calliham,

Responsive to your telephone call of Monday, November 25, 2002 attached herewith you will find a true copy of the Request for Continuing Application filed for the above referenced patent application.

If you have any questions or require additional information, kindly contact me at your earliest convenience.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James", enclosed within a circular stamp or seal.

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First Named Inventor	J.M. Mundi
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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	Utility filing fee	
106	330	Design filing fee	
108	740	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL(1)

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	20	0	0
Independent Claims	3	0	0
Multiple Dependent Claims		\$280	

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Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
115	110	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	Request for oral hearing	
140	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,280	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	Design issue fee	
122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	740

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